

Krs-One

"Get Yourself Up"

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Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah
Ah, ha, ah, ha, ah, ha, ah, ha
Hardcore, Word, hardcore

You really think they're ready, black, let's break it all
the way down
All the way down, huh, huh, don't be fooled, don't be
fooled
Rap is something you do, hip-hop is something you live
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You're not just doing hip-hop
Yeah, let's get this started, word up

You gotta
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Get yourself up, you been locked down
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What is a real hip-hop MC, is it MTV, is it B E T
Is it five M I C's , so the people can see, I mean, how
you think
You're free, when you act like property, tell me, how do
you judge
An MC when he's rockin', I mean rockin' it live, not
pickin' his cotton
I mean adjustin' his clothes, I mean how do you know

Before you come to the show that you're not gettin'
heated
That you're not gettin' cheated
That you ain't come to the club thinkin' I must've been
weeded
You got to be a educated consumer
Spend your money on MC's 'cause these rappers'll do
ya'

Ass they want is your cash, ass, grass, gas in a flick
When you ask for that autograph they ass dash quick
Beware of the rapper, he talks like it don't matter
He pulls his gat while we bust off the gatler

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This is the, Sneak Attack, the Edutainment style returns
like that
Take it off your shelf' cause all we deal with is
knowledge of self
Health and wealth Not Stealth bombers, leather goose
bombers
Original hip-hop armor on cd-rom

You got to get with a 21st century philosopher
Representin' the religion of hip-hop, sir
Those that oppose are foes and will get rocked,
stopped
I rise like a helicopter like Zulu I'll Shaka, crowd With a
beat that's loud

Huh, I'm black and I'm proud, irrelevant, I'm black and
intelligent
I teach my kids to watch the education they give 'em
'Cause it's really all about street wisdom

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True hip-hoppers don't bleed, true hip-hoppers don't
need
True hip-hoppers don't speed
No time for greed, true hip-hoppers do read
And will lead, not plead, will sow seeds that breed

Ah, ha that's safer than weed, indeed

True hip-hoppers don't slave, true hip-hoppers don't
crave
Silver and gold, we're not amazed, we live f r e e
If you not into lyrics you can't really hear it nor see me
My philosophy keeps it plain and simple

Here it is, the kingdom of hip-hop is within you
Or is it the kingdom of hell that sends you
I'm ringin a bell within you, you only seek in a cell
That's what sin do, it tells you to put your craft on a
menu
A chart so they can sell you and your art

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